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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
DEAN et al.) Examiner: Bradley L. Sisson
Serial No. 09/514,113) Art Unit: 1634
Filed: February 28, 2000) Confirmation No.: 9257
For: METHOD FOR REDUCING ARTIFACTS IN NUCLEIC ACID AMPLIFICATION))))

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Dear Sir:

Applicant or patent owner hereby appeals under 37 C.F.R. §41.31 to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated May 26, 2006 finally rejecting claims 1-19, 21-22, and 77-80.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

		1.	\boxtimes		extension of time to respond to the final rejection: was obtained for () month(s).
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		(b) Is requested herewith under 3 / C.F.R. § 1.136.					
2.	Payment in the amount of \$760.00 for the following fees is to be charged to a credit card and such payment is authorized by the signed, enclosed document entitled Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 to cover the following fees:						
	\boxtimes	Appeal fee amount pursuant to 37 C.F.R. $\S41.20(b)(1) = \$250.00$ (Small Entity).					
	\boxtimes	Extension of time fee amount pursuant to 37 C.F.R. $\S1.17(a)(3) = \$510.00$ (Small Entity).					
3.		Enclosed is a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review and sheets of reasons.					

A Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment in the amount of \$760.00, representing \$510.00 for the fee for a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), \$250.00 for the fee for a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1), a Request for Extension of Time and the Amendment and Response to Office Action are enclosed. This amount is believed to be correct; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

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